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(54) **A protein phosphatase 1 binding protein, R5**

(57) Human PPP1R5 polypeptides and DNA (RNA) encoding such PPP1R5 and a procedure for producing such polypeptides by recombinant techniques is disclosed. Also disclosed are methods for utilizing such PPP1R5, or compounds which inhibit or stimulate PPP1R5 for dysfunctions or diseases which involve resistance to the action of insulin on glycogen synthesis

are also disclosed. Agonist and antagonists of these PPP1R5 proteins and methods of their use are also disclosed. Also disclosed are diagnostic assays for detecting diseases related to mutations in the nucleic acid sequences and altered concentrations of the polypeptides. Also disclosed are diagnostic assays for detecting mutations in the polynucleotides encoding the PPP1R5 and for detecting altered levels of the polypeptide in a host.

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Although claims 16 and 17 are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body (Article 52(4) EPC), the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound.

Claim(s) not searched:
13, 15, 18

Reason for the limitation of the search:

Present claims 13, 15 and 18 relate to a compound defined by reference to a desirable characteristic or property, namely inhibiting or activating the biological activity of the polypeptide of claim 10. The claims cover all compounds having this characteristic or property, whereas the application does not provide support within the meaning of Article 84 EPC and/or disclosure within the meaning of Article 83 EPC for any specific compound. In the present case, the claims so lack support, and the application so lacks disclosure, that a meaningful search over the whole of the claimed scope is impossible. Independent of the above reasoning, the claims also lack clarity (Article 84 EPC). An attempt is made to define the compound by reference to a result to be achieved. Again, this lack of clarity in the present case is such as to render a meaningful search over the whole of the claimed scope impossible. Consequently, the search for these claims has not been carried out.

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